

#### **Grand River Center**

500 Bell Street, Port of Dubuque

#### 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

This FREE family event celebrates the American Bald Eagle with live bird programs and children's activities. Vendors will have wildlife art, books, and nature items available for purchase. Exhibitors will share information about opportunities to experience nature in the Tri-State area.

9:30 – 10:15AM SCHLITZ AUDUBON NATURE CENTER
Live birds of prey!

11:00 – 11:45AM NATURALIST, MIKE HAVLIK
Big Owls Hoot, Little Owls Toot

12:15 – 1:00PM SCHLITZ AUDUBON NATURE CENTER

Live birds of prey!

1:45 – 2:30PM NATURALIST, MIKE HAVLIK

Big Owls Hoot, Little Owls Toot

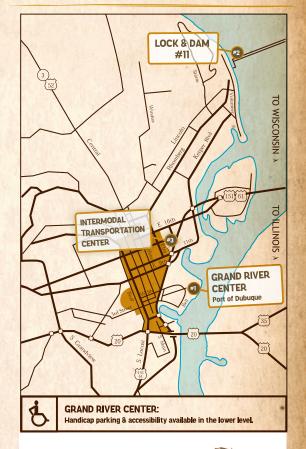
3:00 – 3:45PM SCHLITZ AUDUBON NATURE CENTER

Live birds of prey!

#### Questions? Call the Welcome Center at 800.798.8844

The Dubuque Eagle Watch Committee consists of members from the following: Dubuque Audubon Society, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Dubuque County Conservation Board, Friends of Jackson County Conservation, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, City of Dubuque Leisure Services, Iowa DNR/Mines of Spain, Dubuque Area Convention & Visitors Bureau, and the JULE.

# **BALD EAGLE WATCH**





















Wild Birds Unlimited



**JANUARY 20th, 2018** 

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# THE AMERICAN BALD EAGLE

The American Bald Eagle visits the Upper Mississippi River each year from mid-December through February. As many as 2,500 eagles winter between Minneapolis, Minnesota and Saint Louis, Missouri.

Dubuque, Iowa is located on the Mississippi River at the junction of Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin. It's a popular wintering area for bald eagles because of the abundant food and open water. Lock & Dam #11 keeps the river from freezing and provides eagles with an area to hunt their primary food source — fish.

Come and celebrate the American Bald Eagle at the Dubuque Eagle Watch on Saturday, January 20th at the Grand River Center.

# eagle • eye (noun)

1. The ability to see or observe keenly

An Eagle's eyeball is almost the same size as a human eye, yet an eagle can see something the size of a rabbit at more than three miles away.

Eagles have both monocular and binocular vision, meaning they can use their eyes independently or together depending on what they are looking at.

An Eagle's eye has two focal points (foveae) which allows it to see straight ahead and to the side at the same time.

Eagles can distinguish more colors than humans and can see in the UV range of light.

**SOURCE: National Eagle Center** 

All photos in brochure provided by Ken Warning of Milwaukee, WI taken in Pool 15, Mississippi River.

# **PROGRAMS**

#### **Schlitz Audubon Nature Center**

From: Milwaukee, WI

Meet the Schlitz Audubon Nature Center's winged ambassadors. There's no better way to learn about birds of prey than to see them up close, flying overhead. Enjoy this opportunity to learn about raptors, including the Bald Eagle and some of its feathered friends.

www.schlitzaudubon.org

## **Naturalist Mike Halvik**

"Big Owls Hoot, Little Owls Toot"

From: Dallas County, IA

This entertaining and eye-opening program introduces people to the beautiful and mysterious birds that occupy the night sky. Very few people have heard an owl, and fewer have seen one. Enjoy the opportunity to see the mysterious barred owl, learn its calls, and study its conservation.

www.dallascountyiowa.gov/department-services/conservation



## **ACTIVITIES**

Children's Activities 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Nature related activities for children of all ages will be provided by: E.B. Lyons Interpretive Center, Swiss Valley Nature Center, Hurstville Interpretive Center, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium.

**Exhibitors & Vendors** 

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Natural resource agencies and organizations will be there with educational displays and information. There will also be vendors selling nature related items. Vendors will include: Wild Birds Unlimited, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium and wildlife photographers.

### FREE SHUTTLE-LIVE EAGLE WATCHING

10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Catch the FREE Jule shuttle leaving every 20 minutes from the Grand River Center to Lock and Dam#11 for LIVE eagle viewing. Park at the Grand River Center and hop on the shuttle to get the full experience of the Eagle Watch, using an environmentally friendly mode of transportation. Shuttle pickup/drop off times will be posted at each spot. See back for maps and programming.

